IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

CHRISTOPHER C HAHN Claimant

APPEAL NO. 22A-UI-03499-ED-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> OC: 06/07/20 Claimant: Appellant (2)

PL 116-136, Sec. 2104 – Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

On January 17, 2022, claimant/appellant, Christopher C Hahn, appealed the decision dated (reference 03) that concluded the claimant was overpaid Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC) in the amount of \$1,200.00 for the 2-week period ending June 20, 2020.

A telephone hearing was held on May 17, 2022, pursuant to due notice. The hearing was held together with Appeal 22A-UI-03498-ED-T and 22A-UI-03496-ED-T. Claimant, Christopher Hahn, participated personally. The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative record.

ISSUE:

Was the claimant overpaid Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant initially opened a claim for unemployment insurance benefits. After claimant opened the claim.

Claimant made a weekly continued claim for the week ending June 20, 2020. Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) issued claimant a payment of FPUC benefits in the gross amount of \$1,200.00 for the two-week period ending June 20, 2020. On January 17, 2022, Iowa Workforce Development (IWD) issued a decision denying claimant's eligibility for benefits. That decision has been reversed. See 22A-03496-ED-T.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons set forth below, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant has not been overpaid FPUC benefits.

PL116-136, Sec. 2104 provides, in pertinent part:

(b) Provisions of Agreement

(1) Federal pandemic unemployment compensation.--Any agreement under this section shall provide that the State agency of the State will make payments of regular compensation to individuals in amounts and to the extent that they would be determined if the State law of the State were applied, with respect to any week for which the individual is (disregarding this section) otherwise entitled under the State law to receive regular compensation, as if such State law had been modified in a manner such that the amount of regular compensation (including dependents' allowances) payable for any week shall be equal to

(A) the amount determined under the State law (before the application of this paragraph), plus

(B) an additional amount of \$600 (in this section referred to as "Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation").

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(f) Fraud and Overpayments

(2) Repayment.--In the case of individuals who have received amounts of Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation to which they were not entitled, the State shall require such individuals to repay the amounts of such Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation to the State agency...

Claimant has received FPUC benefits to which he was entitled. Therefore, the administrative law judge concludes that claimant has not been overpaid FPUC benefits in the amount of \$1,200.00 for the 2-week period ending June 20, 2020. Those benefits are not subject to recovery in accordance with Iowa law.

DECISION:

The January 17, 2022 (reference 3) unemployment insurance decision is reversed. Claimant has not been overpaid FPUC benefits in the amount of \$1,200.00.



Emily Drenkow Carr Administrative Law Judge

___June 29, 2022_ Decision Dated and Mailed

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